According to a recent study, the military sector contributes about \$18 billion to North Carolina's economy each year, including thousands of jobs for civilians in the surrounding communities. North Carolina has six major military installations – Camp Lejeune, New River Air Station, Ft. Bragg, Seymour Johnson, Cherry Point and Pope Air Force Base. In addition, the state has the Coast Guard Station in Elizabeth City, which is now under the Department of Homeland Security.

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